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SAM NEWHOUSE, REPORTER

Metro readers, thank you for making this year's Tony's Metro Magic a huge success! Your donations of toys through Metro's annual toy drive have gone to underserved children in our communities and made a huge difference in their lives for the holidays. As one of the charitable nonprofits that distributes gifts to children told us, "Just seeing the smiles on the childrens' faces is enough of a reward. These children come from families where they may not always have enough, and without generous donations from Metro's readers, we wouldn't be able to share these gifts with them. Thank you!" ***Read more about the impact of your generosity inside and on Metro.us.***

US BEGINS TO PULL FORCES FROM SYRIA

1 The United States said on Wednesday it has begun withdrawing U.S. forces from Syria while U.S. officials said Washington was considering removing all its troops as it winds up its campaign to retake territory once held by Islamic State. A decision to pull out completely, if confirmed, would raise doubts about how to prevent a resurgence of the militant group, undercut U.S. leverage in the region and undermine diplomatic efforts to end the Syrian civil war now in its eighth year. Reports of a full U.S. military withdrawal drew immediate criticism from some of President Donald Trump's fellow Republicans, who said leaving would strengthen the hand of Russia and Iran, which both support Syrian President Bashar al Assad. "We have started returning United States troops home as we transition to the next phase of this campaign," White House spokeswoman Sarah Sanders said in a statement issued after President Donald Trump tweeted that "We have defeated ISIS in Syria, my only reason for being there."

COURT RULES IN FAVOR OF ASYLUM SEEKERS

2 A U.S. judge on Wednesday struck down Trump administration policies aimed at restricting asylum claims by people citing gang or domestic violence in their home countries and ordered the U.S. government to bring back six deported migrants to reconsider their cases. The ruling is the latest legal setback for the White House on immigration. Last month, a judge in San Francisco ordered a halt to a policy that prevented those entering illegally from Mexico from seeking asylum. The policy at the center of Wednesday's ruling sought to limit the ability of immigrants to fight expedited deportation by narrowing the grounds for claiming "credible fear" if they returned home, the first step in a long asylum process. The policy was challenged in a District of Columbia lawsuit brought by a dozen adults and children. U.S. Judge Emmet Sullivan said in a 107-page opinion the policy violated both immigration and administrative law. "And because it is the will of Congress — not the whims of the executive — that determines the standard for expedited removal, the court finds that those policies are unlawful," Sullivan wrote.

SNOW SCULPTURE UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN CHINA

3 A 40-foot-tall pig-themed snow sculpture is seen ahead of the Harbin Sun Island International Snow Sculpture Art Exposition on Wednesday in Harbin, Heilongjiang Province of China. The snow sculpture featuring three pigs is about 72 feet long.

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FB SHARES DROP AS DATA PRIVACY FALLOUT SPREADS

4 Facebook Inc. shares sank on Wednesday as concerns about its ability to safeguard user data sparked a government lawsuit, criticism in the U.S. Congress and a New York Times report on how it had shared data with other companies. The stock of the world's largest social media company fell 7.25 percent, its biggest intraday drop since July, taking losses for the year to about 24 percent. Investors are concerned about snowballing legal and regulatory efforts over data use polices that have upset many customers and could carry significant penalties and costs. In particular, the Silicon Valley firm has drawn global scrutiny since disclosing earlier this year that a third-party personality quiz distributed on Facebook gathered profile information on 87 million users worldwide and sold the data to British political consulting firm Cambridge Analytica. Washington, D.C., Attorney General Karl Racine said the U.S. capital city was suing Facebook, accusing it of misleading users because it had known about the incident for two years before disclosing it.

HUMAN TRAFFICKER AT OLYMPICS GETS 30 YEARS

5 An "evil" man who tried to traffic a teenage boy into London to be sold for sex during the 2012 Olympics has been sentenced to 30 years in a U.S. prison, in a case of human trafficking that draws attention to international sporting events. Jason Gandy was stopped in July 2012 by immigration officers in Britain who suspected something was wrong with the adult man traveling with an unrelated 15-year-old boy, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement said. British authorities sent Gandy home to Houston, Texas, for trial. He was convicted of sex trafficking of minors in July and sentenced this week by U.S. District Judge Lee Rosenthal, who told him: "You are evil, and most evil are those who willingly exploit others for their own gratification." Along with the incident at the London Olympics, there were reports of Nigerians taken to Russia for sex during the World Cup this past summer and, in the United States, football's Super Bowl also draws concerns over trafficking. However, experts are split on whether such spectacles actively fuel trafficking.

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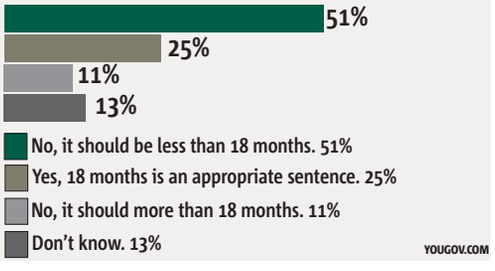
STATUE OF LIBERTY

A woman who climbed the Statue of Liberty on July 4th to protest the separation of families at the U.S.-Mexico border was convicted on charges of trespassing, disorderly conduct and interfering with government functions. She faces up to 18 months in prison. Do you think 18 months is an appropriate sentence for this crime?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Brooklyn DA moves to weed out low-level marijuana warrants

DA Eric Gonzalez looks to dismiss convictions and warrants for cannabis possession.

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Brooklyn DA Eric Gonzalez. GETTY IMAGES

Brooklyn District Attorney Eric Gonzalez is getting ahead of the curve after Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced his intentions to legalize recreational marijuana use in New York on Monday. Making a case to Administrative Judge Michael Yavinsky, the DA petitioned to cancel the 1,422 outstanding possession warrants still on the docket.

"Today, in cooperation with The Legal Aid Society and Brooklyn Defender Services and with the assistance of the court, I move to vacate warrants in the cases numbered one through 1,422 that were generated for a failure to return to court on a low-level marijuana offense," Gonzalez stated before the court. "I further move to dismiss the underlying cases corresponding to each of these warrants."

Gonzalez cited a number of reasons for moving to dismiss these possession warrants, chief among them the consistently discriminatory enforcement of existing drug laws by the NYPD.

"As the court knows, my office has stopped prosecuting the vast majority of marijuana possession and smoking cases, because I do not believe that pursuing those cases makes us safer," Gonzalez said, "and because I recognize that the racial disparities in enforcement with respect to these offenses remained intractable."

This isn't the first time that Gonzalez has dismissed pot possession warrants: He vacated more than 3,000 possession warrants in September of this year. According to Gonzalez, the matter isn't just one of justice, it comes down to saving unnecessary paperwork.

"These are cases my office no longer prosecutes," he said. "If individuals with these warrants were to return to court or get arrested on these warrants, my office would decline to prosecute their cases."

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Eric Gonzalez, Brooklyn DA

The DA also moved to erase 33 past convictions for possession, the first batch of petitions from the program his office started in September for former offenders.

"These past convictions do not make us safe," Gonzalez stated. "They may hold back those who carry them from moving forward with their lives as contributing members of society."

These 33 cases, however, represent only a fraction of the 20,000 past offenders eligible to have their records expunged, according to the DA's own estimates. Given that the DA's office will not expunge convictions unless petitioned to do so on an individual basis, the process of restorative justice will be a slow one indeed.

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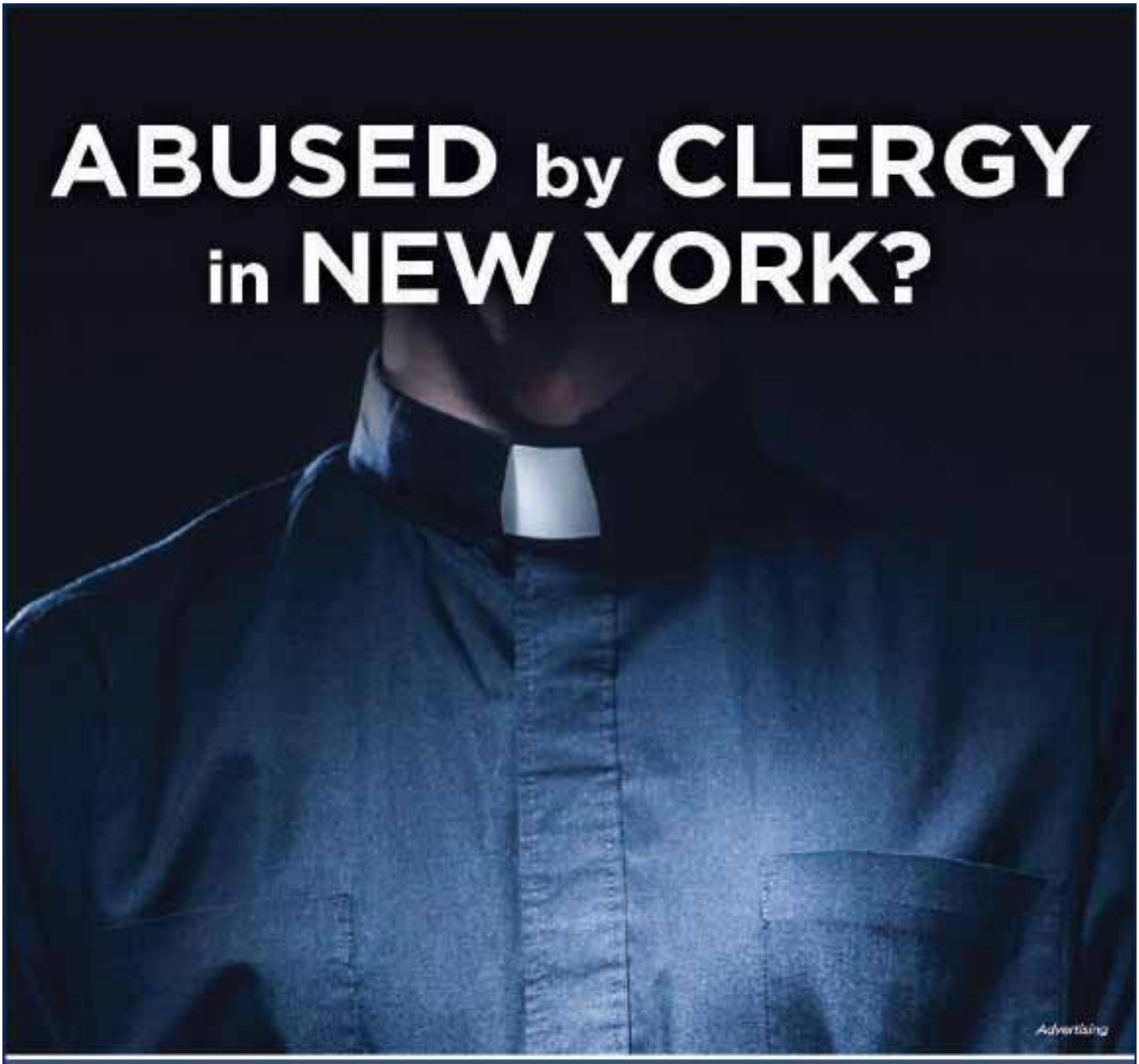

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Dyker Heights Xmas Lights 2018 bring holiday cheer — and residential headaches

Attraction's popularity continues to gain momentum despite some growing pains.

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Like a lot of things in New York City, the Dyker Heights Christmas Lights started out as a hidden gem before becoming a worldwide phenomenon.

Tony Muia grew up in Bensonhurst, and though he was in his 20s by the time the lights in the next neighborhood over got going (Dyker Heights resident Lucy Spata is credited with kicking off the Christmas tradition in 1986), he says that seeing the decked-out houses was still a big part of growing up in Brooklyn.

"I know adults now who started out with their parents putting them in their cars in their pajamas, driving around looking at the lights," he said. "Back then you were able to drive. There wasn't bumper-to-bumper traffic."

More than 100,000 people see the Dyker Heights Christmas Lights every holiday season, and Muia helps bring them there. The founder and CEO of A Slice of Brooklyn Bus Tours, Muia began his Dyker Heights Christmas Lights tour in 2006.

In the 12 years of doing bus tours, Muia says he's seen the Christmas Lights mania grow to epic proportions. When he started out, he says it was an "under-the-radar" experience where he'd bring in tours of 15 people at a time.

These days, he shuttles in four buses a night with 55 passengers each. Tickets start selling in January.

By now, A Slice of Brooklyn isn't the only company offering Dyker Heights Christmas Lights bus tours, and plenty of people nearby also drive into the neighborhood.

"You've got tons more cars, lots more people coming to the area — people from around the country and around the world — to see these lights," Muia said. "Whether they take our tours or not, they

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Muia says he's respectful of the fact that Dyker Heights is a residential neighborhood. His buses have bathrooms and trash cans, and tour guides park

"I know adults now who started out with their parents putting them in their cars in their pajamas, driving around looking at the lights."
Tony Muia

in a designated spot before walking sightseers through the streets. The company takes Christmas Eve and Christmas Day off to give its six tour guides their holidays at home — but also out of respect for the area's residents.

Muia attends community board meetings and local police precinct meetings, he says. But not every tour company is so neighborly, according to Muia, and the phenomenon has grown beyond bus tours.

According to Community Board 10 meeting minutes, local residents have expressed concerns about unlicensed food vendors popping up along the streets and sanitation issues from hot chocolate cups to food wrappers spilling onto sidewalks.

That's on top of traffic-clogged streets (by both pedestrians and vehicles) and noise violations. NYPD plans for the crowds, but to some residents, not well enough.

"To me, a great concern was a photo from last year that showed eight police officers on one corner. As I said to the captain, who was not here last year, 'that is not planning,'" reads Community Board 10 Chair Doris Cruz's comments from the Nov. 19 meeting minutes. "[We] need a traffic plan. And all assigned officers, even those not from the 68th Precinct need to know the plan, they need direction and they need to know how to recognize the vendor permits to determine if they are valid."

The NYPD did not respond to a request for comment but did confirm that there is a dedicated detail in Dyker Heights to deal with the increased vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

Police have been issuing summonses to the illegal food vendors, Capt. Robert Conwell said at a recent meeting, according to the Brooklyn Daily Eagle.

Muia has family and friends who live on the main Dyker Heights Christmas Lights block, so he's heard these concerns. To those that say he's part of the problem, he'd tell you he's been coming here for years, he does right by the residents, the attraction has swelled beyond his influence and that at least his tour buses mean a few less cars on the crowded streets.

But he'd also add that it's worth it, to visitors and Brooklynites alike.

"I've seen so many people that left Brooklyn and come back because this is a special tradition, they come back with their families now," he said. "You see adults become kids again. Like Lucy says, it's never going away. If anything, it's growing."

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Leaving sooner is better for holiday travelers exiting New York City

The city is expecting some of the worst traffic as a record-breaking number of Americans are expected to travel over the holidays.

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It's the most wonderful time of the year — except for all the time you might spend sitting in traffic during your holiday travel.

More than one-third of Americans will travel in some way this holiday season, according to AAA, for a record-breaking 112.5 million travelers taking planes, trains and automobiles to their holiday destination.

That's a 4.4 percent increase in travelers from last year and the most since AAA began tracking holiday travel in 2001, according to the automobile association.

Of all those travelers, 102 million will be driving, meaning packed roads across the country. AAA defines the "holiday season" as stretching from Saturday, Dec. 22, through Tuesday, Jan. 1 — 11 days total and one day longer than last year, due to Christmas and New Year's Day both falling on Tuesdays — but the holiday travel traffic will start even earlier.

So when should you pack up your car with all your presents and hit the road? AAA worked with data company INRIX to look at historical holiday travel trends and identify the worst times for traffic congestion, so you can try to avoid more holiday stress.

Drivers in New York City will see some of the worst traffic, with travel times expected to be more than three times longer than a normal trip. Here's what you need to know before you hit the road.

New York City traffic is nothing new, but it'll be extra-intense ahead of Christmas. The worst time to travel, per AAA, is from 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 20, when delays will make your trip 3.75 times longer than usual.

If you're opting to fly rather than drive, you should still be warned. There are 6.7 million people traveling by air this year, the highest level in 15 years, according to AAA.

Some flight routes leaving New York City are the worst for holiday travel disruptions, per AirHelp, a company that helps passengers get compensation from airlines when their flights are canceled, delayed or overbooked.

83,000 disrupted flights

There are 83,000 disrupted flights during Christmas week, according to AirHelp, and some of the most disrupted routes include LaGuardia Airport to Toronto Lester B. Pearson International Airport; LaGuardia to Montreal Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport; Newark Liberty International Airport to Toronto Bishop Billy City Airport; and Newark to Toronto Lester B. Pearson International Airport.

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TO: MICHAEL LANDERS

A petition under **ARTICLE 10** of the **FAMILY COURT ACT** having been filed with this Court and annexed hereto:

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ON YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR as herein directed, a warrant may be issued for your arrest.

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HON. JUDGE JOAN PICCIRILLO
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Dated: November 14, 2018

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NYCT president: Expect faster trains on J, 4, 5, 6 lines in 2019

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It's still 2018 and the NYC Transit Authority (NYCT) has already revealed its New Year's resolution: faster trains and better communication. In an effort to increase transparency for the MTA, a department Gov. Andrew Cuomo recently described as "undemocratic," NYCT President Andy Byford and Train Service Supervisor Philip Dominguez took to Twitter to answer New Yorkers' questions about track maintenance, unreliable service and, most importantly, why the trains are moving so slowly.

Though Byford fielded about 50 queries in the hour-long Q&A session on topics ranging from emergency brakes to station refurbishments, the gist was: expect faster trains. For some lines, like the J and N, the NYCT said it will double the speed, from 10 to 20 mph. For the 4, 5 and 6 lines, Dominguez promised faster trains in early 2019, but admitted that the process is "presenting a challenge."

Other promised changes included raising speed limits for express trains on Queens Boulevard from 35 to 50 mph, reducing the number of emergency brake activations, reducing delays on trains crossing the Manhattan Bridge from Brooklyn, running more 7 trains, speeding up trains passing construction crews and many, many more.

Not all of the improvements the S.P.E.E.D. team mentioned were particularly dramatic, however. Many of the problems that transit riders mentioned were met with variations on "We're looking into the problem," but even these non-answers are a significant step toward increasing transparency and accountability for the agency managing the subway system used by millions of New Yorkers.

The Q&A only lasted for an hour, but Byford promised to do another Twitter takeover "soon."

Even though many of the NYCT's answers were jargon-heavy and difficult to understand, Byford and Dominguez were open and honest about the process' many problems. Byford admitted the issues all share a single cause: "We're grappling with decades of underinvestment." WILL DRICKLEY

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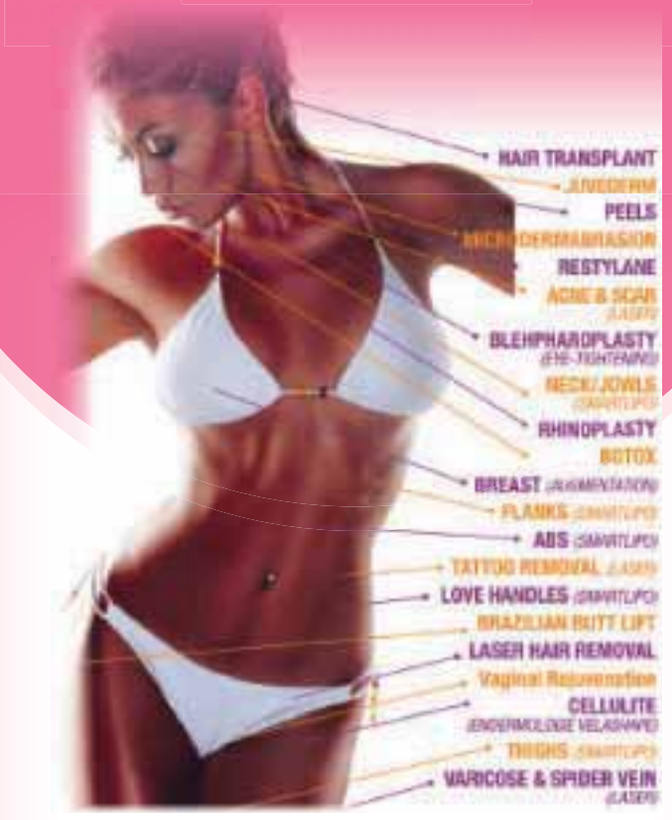

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Metro Magic wraps up with lots of toys from readers

"It's an honor and privilege to continue the tradition."

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The 9th annual Metro Magic toy drive has come to a close and we'd like to take this opportunity to wholeheartedly thank the readers in Boston, Philadelphia, and New York City for their generous and thoughtful donations.

Named after Tony Metcalf, the former editor-in-chief of Metro US who passed in 2013, the toy drive is dedicated to children in need, especially during the holiday season.

With the assistance of our distribution team in NYC, the first group of toys was delivered to The Coalition for the Homeless in New York City. "We so appreciate it!" said Anya Tudisco, executive assistant for the charity.

In Philadelphia, gifts were delivered to the Institute for the Development of African American Youth (IDDAY). Led by founder Dr. S. Archye Leacock, IDDAY offers programs ranging from Intensive InHome Supervision and Out of School Time to College Bound, Young Fathers United and Don't Fall Down in the Hood.

Accepting in-kind donations for Boston's charity organization, Heading Home, Jillian Smith expressed her gratitude for the toys. "We are so honored to be the selected nonprofit from the generous donations of your Boston readers. Thank you, thank you, thank you for all that you do!"

Metro intends to keep Tony's Metro Magic holiday toy drive going for years to come. "Every year, our readers continue to humble us with their generosity and compassion for children in need over the holidays," said Alek Korab, Metro US editor-in-chief. "It's an honor and privilege to continue the tradition of giving back to the community with the help of our readers — for that, we are grateful."

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A DECENT HOLIDAY HANGOVER CURE

All families don't celebrate the holidays in the same ways. But if yours is like mine, there is a 150% chance that merry libations will be just as much of a conjoining centerpiece this Christmas as the presents underneath the tree. In fact, big bottles of booze are usually my go-to present for some of my family members year in and year out and cracking them open after meals is something that has become a little bit of a tradition.

While the excitement of these presents usually leads to taste after taste until our cheeks are as red as Rudolph's nose, the next morning can be a bit of a come-down hangover from the joyous night before. This can be tough as the day after Christmas is usually a big travel day for many and finding a hangover cure can be crucial in this situation. I'm sad to say that year after year I have yet to find the best holiday hangover cure that can get me right as rain before traveling. Help us out! Send your best Holiday hangover cures to **grumble@metro.us** and we will share them here!

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MY HUMBLE MOMENT

The other evening coming home from work around 6 p.m., I got off the train at my stop. When I reached the platform, I stepped aside to adjust my knapsack when a woman came over to get my attention. I thought one of the knapsack zippers was open. Not so. She pulled a c-ring hook (carabiner) from her pocket and clamped it to the carry handle of my knapsack. Then she asked me to hold her cane so that she can take my tote bag & clip it to the c-ring. VIOLA!! I'm now hands free. I was like, wow, thank you!! I'm quite the MacGuyver and come up with quick-fixes, but never did I think of that. I was overjoyed with her little act of kindness that I couldn't stop smiling and thanking her. I could tell that she appreciated my genuine enthusiasm over that little hook. I wished her a hearty Merry Christmas and said I'd share the idea with others!!

— **Ali,** *Metro New York reader*

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Cancer If you share your unique ideas, you'll be surprised at the interest someone shows. A makeover will give you the pick-me-up you need to help build your confidence.

Leo Have fun with children or volunteer to help out in your community. What you contribute will raise your profile and make you and your loved ones proud.

Virgo Don't give in to someone pestering you for something you can't afford or don't want to do. Make moderate choices and stick to them, regardless of what others do.

Libra A change will do you good and help you adjust to an offer that you find tempting. Don't let anyone make you feel bad or guilty for the choices you make.

Scorpio Love is on the rise, and plans to romance someone special should be put into play. Sharing a quality moment will help cement an important relationship.

Sagittarius You'll have a change of heart when it comes to personal matters. Look at the past, learn from your mistakes and do what's required to turn a negative into a positive.

Capricorn Get everyone at home involved in the preparations and changes you want to make. Purging and donating things you no longer need is favored.

Aquarius Say what's on your mind and clear the air. You cannot move forward unless you take care of unfinished business. Changes at home will give you something to look forward to.

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How 'Bumblebee' stopped the 'Transformers' franchise from being '*boring*'

Producer Lorenzo di Bonaventura and writer Christina Hodson talk us through it.

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After five films in 10 years, Lorenzo di Bonaventura knew that the "Transformers" franchise needed rejuvenating.

So in the summer of 2015 he assembled a writers' room, where some of Hollywood's best and burgeoning scribes came together to discuss potential sequels, prequels and spin-offs. Di Bonaventura admits to Metro that the "fresh eyes and new takes" from the writers' room "freed minds to look at the franchise in different ways," and the time was nigh to make a change.

"'The Last Knight' was the last in the Bay series. People think we did this movie as a reaction to the fifth movie," says di Bonaventura. "'Bumblebee' was being planned before the fifth movie. We had done five of these with a particular aesthetic and we wanted to do something different.

"As a filmmaker, you get tired of making the same thing. And we wanted to do something different, too," he adds. "We also felt we owed the fans something new. If you keep a franchise going, you are doing it for the fans as much as yourself. I get bored, why wouldn't they, at a certain level?"

Christina Hodson pitched her "core idea" for "Bumblebee" — of the Transformer leaving the Civil War on Cybertron and coming to Earth on his own in 1987, where he forges a friendship with a teenage girl — in the writers' room.

"I went into the room knowing I wanted to do a girl and her car," she explains. "Steven Spielberg [executive producer] had always said he wanted to do a Bumblebee standalone. He said back in 2007, promoting the first movie, that he loved the story of a boy and his car. It was so personal, so intimate.

"I remember the first car I had. It was a piece of s–t," adds Hodson. "But I just remember the excitement, even when I first started my dad's car, it was just the joy and wonder of starting this big hunk of metal."

Di Bonaventura instantly knew that Hodson's idea was perfect to breathe life back into the franchise.

"We wanted to focus in on a character and we wanted to tell a story in a different way to what we had done before," says di Bonaventura. "We wanted an intimate story. That was the key decision early on. We had done a boy and his car, so when she pitched a girl and her car, it felt different."

Heavily influenced by Spielberg and Amblin movies, Hodson then set out to write "Bumblebee," and was particularly excited to "give audiences and kids the chance to get to know one character really well."

But with lead character Charlie Watson, who is expertly played by Hailee Steinfeld, Hodson also saw the chance to subvert and challenge the tired gender roles that have long plagued mainstream, blockbuster cinema.

"I have always wanted to put female characters in muscular and masculine films," says Hod-

John Cena as Agent Burns squaring off with Bumblebee.

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Hailee Steinfeld as Charlie in "Bumblebee."

> **"We had done five of these with a particular aesthetic and we wanted to do something different."**
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> Lorenzo di Bonaventura

son. "I say masculine, but I don't think they're masculine. They're just perceived as masculine; girls love explosions just as much as boys. Boys love emotional stuff just as much as girls, too.

"The timing is fortuitous, I guess, because there is a mandate where people want more female movies," she adds. "But there is a false delineation between what men want and what women want and what young boys want and what young girls want. It is all nonsense."

Clearly a lot of people feel the same way, because "Bumblebee" has become the most critically acclaimed entry into the "Transformers" franchise yet.

"Bumblebee" opens in theaters Dec. 21.

"Bumblebee" gives "Transformers" the shot in the arm that the franchise needed. ALL PHOTOS PARAMOUNT PICTURES

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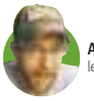
"Timeless" returns for a holiday special. DARREN MICHAELS/SONY/NBC

'Timeless' movie is exactly what the fans have been waiting for

The cult-favorite series returns from cancellation for one final adventure.



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Over the summer, fans of NBC's time-traveling caper "Timeless" were disheartened to learn that the network had canceled the series again.

The decision made sense business-wise, as the Sony Television production's being distributed by NBCUniversal, a rival media company, meant a complex web of deals were at play. And if the show at the heart of those deals wasn't earning enough ratings to satisfy one or both studios, then its chances for survival were moot.

Despite having lackluster ratings, however, "Timeless" proved to be yet another example of a television program whose audience base was extremely devoted. Like "Star Trek" and "Firefly" before it, "Timeless" found itself in the middle of an intense fan-driven campaign to save it from the ax. It worked the first time it was canceled back in 2017, but this year's cancellation took. Even so, with the news came a nugget of hope - a deal for a television movie was in the works.

Six months later, the second season cliffhanger will finally be addressed (and more) in a special two-hour series finale set to air on Thursday. Titled "The Miracle of Christmas, Part I" and "The Miracle of Christmas, Part II" respectively, the two hours will premiere back-to-back on NBC, thereby bringing the adventures of the "time team" to a close.

And so it does, because everyone from the series is back for the show's final bow. Lucy Preston (Abigail Spencer), the history professor turned "Lifeboat" team leader; Master Sergeant Wyatt Logan (Matt Lanter), the team's military liaison; Rufus Carlin (Malcolm Barrett), the Lifeboat's lead programmer and reluctant pilot; and Garcia Flynn (Goran Višnjić), former adversary turned ally against the Rittenhouse group. Everyone, along with the rest of the supporting cast, is back. So what's been happening?

Well, at the end of season 2, Rufus was dead and Lucy and Wyatt were left to wallow in their guilt. Or, at least that was until future versions of the pair arrived in another Lifeboat and invited them to go and save Rufus. "The Miracle of Christmas, Part I" picks up right where the show left off with the prospect of crisscrossing timelines with future and former selves, but for the sake of avoiding spoilers, that's where NBC's official episode description (and ours) stops.

Newcomers tuning into for the first time to "Timeless" probably won't know what's going on following the opening credits, and the show does little to amend this. Why? Because Thursday's two-part finale is primarily for the fans who support the show throughout its rocky run. Yet if anyone unfamiliar with the series wants to catch up, they can stream the first two seasons of Hulu.

The "Timeless" two-part finale premieres tonight at 8 p.m. on NBC.

Meet the new bad boy of Marvel's 'Runaways' season 2

Newcomer Jan Luis Castellanos is excited for the fans to see what's coming.

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The hit Marvel series returns to Hulu this weekend. ALL PHOTOS MICHAEL DESMOND / HULU

At the 2018 New York Comic Con, Hulu announced that the second season of its popular Marvel series "Runaways" would feature a new character. Topher, the century-old vampire who featured in the original comics, would debut in season 2. The streamer didn't say if their take would follow co-creators Brian K. Vaughan and Adrian Alphona's version to a fault, but they did name the young actor who would be playing him.

"I'm super grateful to be joining the Marvel/Hulu 'Runaways' family," Jan Luis Castellanos said in a statement at the time of his casting announcement. "It has been a dream come true. Topher is a tough and complicated kid, and it was very exciting to bring him to life."

Castellanos, a native of the Dominican Republic who grew up in New Jersey, spoke to Metro about his breakout role just ahead of the second season's premiere on Friday. And even though the smoke has cleared, the production is over and the completed season is about to stream, the 23-year-old actor still can't believe that he's now a part of the Marvel universe.

"I remember watching 'The Avengers' when I was younger. I was like, 'Oh my God this is amazing!'" he exclaims. "I've always been a fan, so for me, it was just a straight-up dream come true to do this. It's a universe filled with endless possibilities. It's something that I definitely wanted to be a part of and I'm really excited about what's to come."

The young actor has a handful of credits here and there, but "Runaways" represents his biggest role yet. This prospect equally excites and terrifies Castellanos, but he also feels lucky to have received a crash course in modern acting because of the experience.

"It was like meeting a girl for the first time," he says of meeting the cast. "I walked onto the studio soundstage and they were just all there waiting for me after a scene. They were so great! Especially Gregg Sulkin and Rhenzy Feliz. Gregg taught me a lot. I learned so much from him while we were working together on set. As for Rhenzy, we immediately connected because his family is also from the Dominican Republic. Plus, there's Ariela Barer and Allegra Acosta… it was such a Latino-centric set and it was great."

Castellanos also counts himself lucky for having had the chance to work on such a technically complex production. "Runaways" is a show about superheroes and villains, after all, so this requires a dazzling array of stuntwork, practical effects and visual effects for most of the characters – including Topher.

"I felt a lot of pressure, being surrounded by all of that," he says of the stunts and effects, "but I got to learn so much. And the great thing about it was, I felt good doing it. I was motivated to give it my best."

He takes a beat to laugh to himself before wrapping things up.

"Man, I'm blushing now," says Castellanos. "I still can't believe I got to be a part of this."

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Tim Ho Wan

Chinese food and a movie on Christmas Day is a Jewish tradition, but we think it's just a solid plan for anyone. Hong Kong's Michelin-starred dim sum spot Tim Ho Wan just expanded to a second location in Hell's Kitchen after opening in Astor Place, and you can come by starting at 10 a.m. for the full menu including our favorites: baked BBQ pork buns, pan-fried turnip cakes and steamed shrimp dumplings. Bonus: Dumplings are thought to bring luck in the new year. ***610 Ninth Ave., timhowanusa.com***

Ginny's Supper Club

Make your spirits bright on Christmas Day with a jazz brunch at Ginny's Supper Club. Live music by Organ Monk accompanies your buffet spread of mac & greens, gravlax toast, confit duck legs, apple-carrot mash and much more. ***310 Lenox Ave., ginnyssupperclub.com***

Baked BBQ pork buns at Tim Ho Wan. PROVIDED

The Smith Lincoln Square

Christmas brunch kicks off at a brisk 9 a.m., for those of you ready to eat right after opening presents, at The Smith Lincoln Square. The prix fixe menu includes a brunch cocktail and choice of dishes like smoked salmon toast, short rib hash and toasted ricotta gnocchi. ***$37, $19 kids under 12, thesmithrestaurant.com***

Palm Court

The Plaza hotel is where Kevin McCallister's family tried to atone for leaving him "Home Alone" the year before, so make it your Christmas Day destination with brunch at The Lambs Club. The extravagant Christmas Grand Buffet lives up to its name, serving traditional turkey as well as luxury items like filet mignon alongside endless antipasta, desserts and breakfast favorites. ***10:30 a.m.-4:45 p.m., $225, $75 kids 12 and under, theplazany.com***

Carmine's

Got a big crowd to feed on Christmas Day? Bring them to this Italian favorite for brunch, where dishes are always served in massive portions meant for sharing. Decorated for the holidays, the dining room will feel just like your own, whether you opt for the original Theater District location or go uptown. The full a la carte menu is available, as well as holiday specials like a rack of lamb with roasted vegetables. ***Starting at 11 a.m., 200 W. 44th St., 2450 Broadway, carminesnyc.com***

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Ginny's Supper Club. PROVIDED

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What IS This Treatment
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We feel this is why so many people have tried this treatment and DIDN'T get good results like in the patients in this research.

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KATELYN CHEF

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1

Any tailgater (or marshmallow maker) would love to receive a portable fire pit such as this compact (and essentially smokeless) wood and charcoal burning fire pit from BioLite.
Fire Pit, Wood & Charcoal Burning Fire Pit, $199.95, bioliteenergy.com

2

Gifting the Gen Z generation can be tricky—what to get? How about a clip on ping pong set from SunnyLife Australia?
Clip on Ping Pong Set, $35, dormify.com

3

Usually, right after Christmas, the winter weather really starts to rage. When you've had enough snow, a warm beach print from Gray Malin can ease those sad seasonal blues.
La Jolla Shores Vertical, $249, graymalin.com

4

If he loves funky socks, he'll love a cool sweater to wear all winter long.
OG Sassy Sweater, $80, myairblaster.com

5

The desire to redecorate after the holiday décor comes down is as real as any Christmas cookie plate. The rugs from Well Woven are stylish and versatile enough to fit any home décor.
Ora Blue Modern Rug, $54, wellwoven.com

6

Christmas bows are green, and our wine glasses are filled with red. Any wine lover would approve of a three-pack (plus $50 Ticketmaster gift card) red wine gift set.
Red Wine 3 Pack + $50 Ticketmaster Gift Card, $95, dreamingtree-wines.com

7

Naturally soft sneakers that are sustainable as well as made from wool sound like an eco-perfect gift to give any shoe aficionado.
Men's Tuke Matcha Wool Runners, $95, allbirds.com

8

Stockings that are stuffed with practical necessities such as beanies and warm hats are so appreciated during this chilly season of giving!
The Uniform, Pink Beanie, $24, coalheadwear.com

What to get the little one on your list can be puzzling too. The new Google Home Mini featuring Disney's Mickey Mouse is just what Santa forgot to bring!
Den Series for Google Home Mini featuring Disney Mickey Mouse, $19.95 (Google Home sold separately), otterbox.com

9

10

Any #plantlady will get a kick out of these banana leaves inspired earrings. So tropic-cool!
Monstera Leaf earrings, $36, bando.com

Flowers that last all year long are truly a gift that she'll love! The fresh-cut flower assortments from RoseBox not only look straight out of the pages of Vogue, but they last for 365 days!
Small White Box with Red Flame Roses, $139.30, roseboxnyc.com

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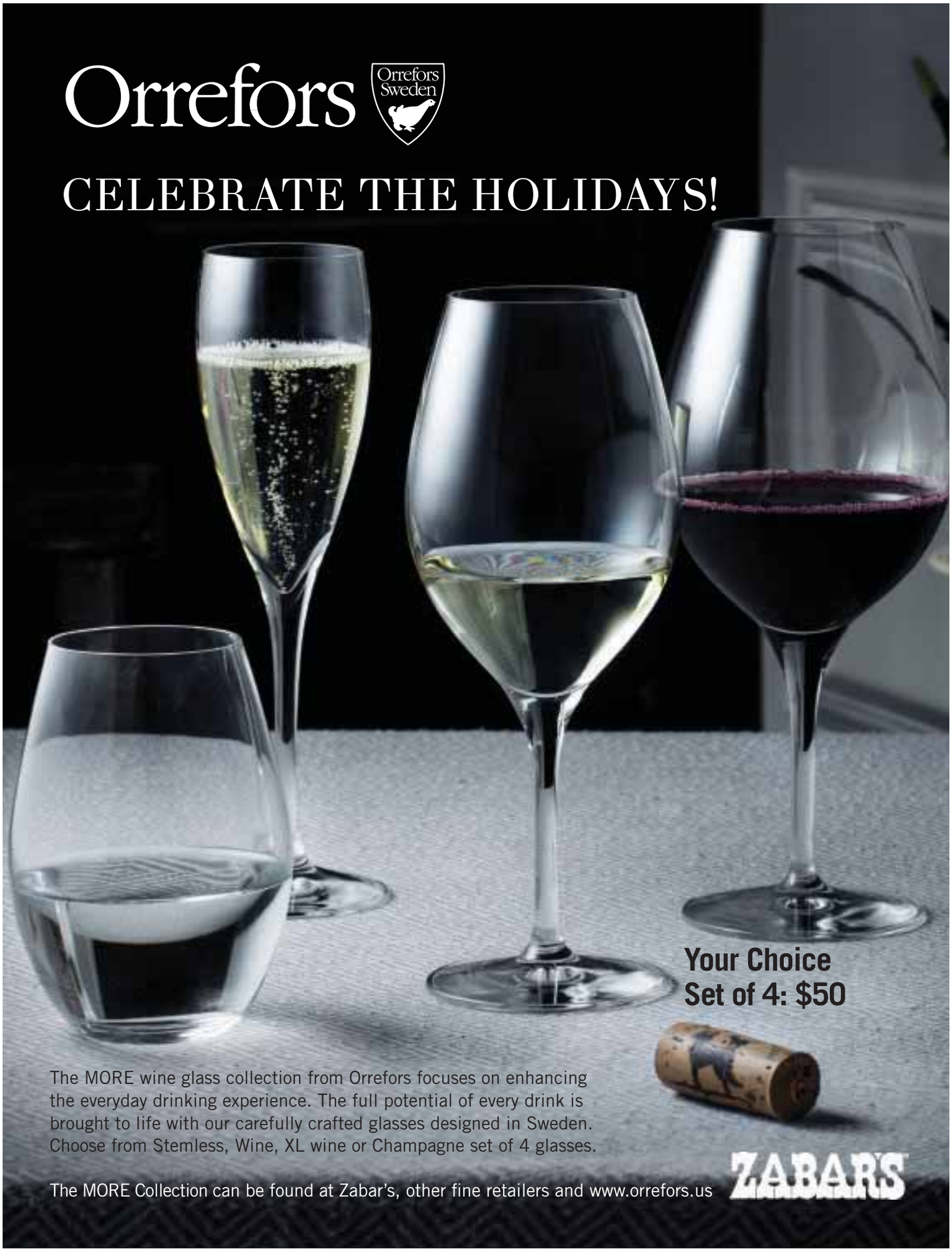
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2

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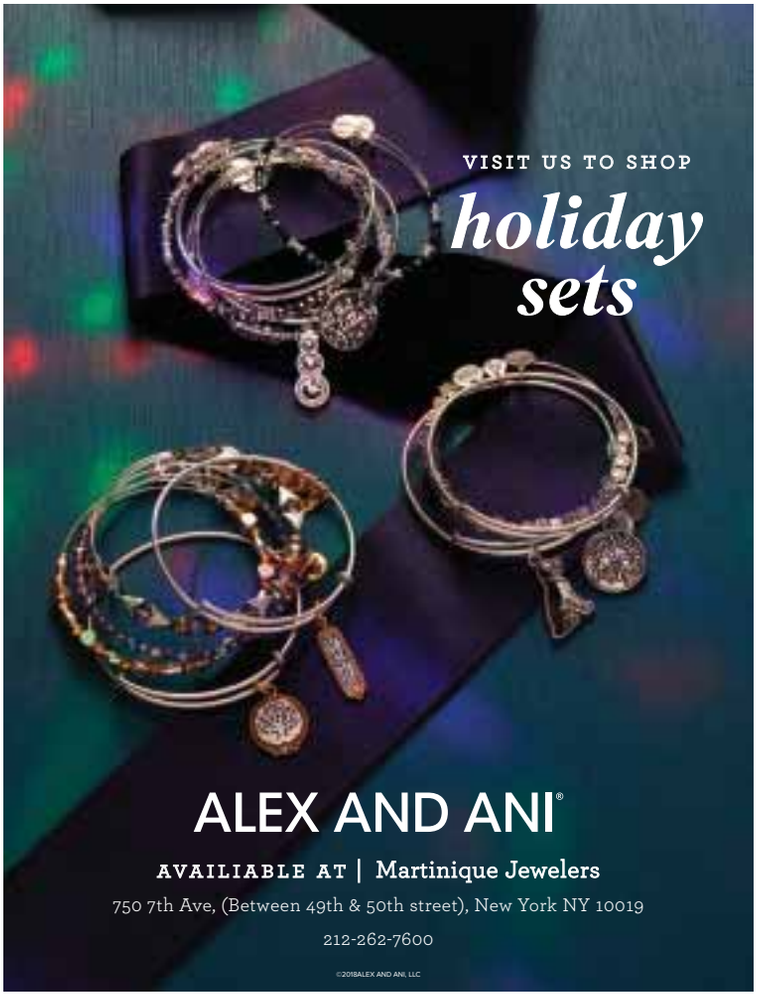
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The art of finding *'Lost Gold'* with Jesse and Josh Feldman

The treasure-hunting brothers tell us about their brand-new show on the Travel Channel.

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Jesse and Josh Feldman have been hunting for buried treasure and lost gold mines in the American West for their entire lives. With their new show "Lost Gold" premiering on Travel Channel on Jan. 14, they will be taking viewers deep down into some of the most fabled regions of the country in order to unearth some of the most legendary and storied lost treasures of all time.

We sat down with the Feldman brothers to see how they got started in treasure hunting and which hidden jewels still keep them up at night.

What was your initial fascination with finding buried treasure?

Josh Feldman: We grew up in it! Our dad is a treasure hunter. When he was a kid, he would read about the Lost Dutchman Gold Mine in Arizona and dreamed of going there. He started a family and when we got old enough he would take us out on treasure hunts. Listen, when you're a little kid and you get asked to go treasure hunting, you're not going to say no to that. That's exciting! So we just kept doing it. We never grew out of it, I guess. We've been all over the West hunting treasures — Arizona, Nevada, Colorado, California, and a lot of other places — with our Dad. We've continued that tradition.

Did you ever have that feeling growing up where you wished you were doing other activities with children your age that didn't involve hunting treasure? Like playing baseball or something?

Jesse Feldman: There was never that feeling of "I don't want to do this" like if you were forced to play a sport like that. Treasure hunting is not a sport like that. It's going out into the wilderness, it's meeting new people, it's tracking down history, with the hopes of sometimes you do find something in the field that can change history. There are treasures out there that are real. There are thousands and thousands of treasure hunters out there just alone in the West that are still out there, just hidden. I think that in today's world, modern society doesn't think about the 1800s and the things that were lost back then. We just grew up in that culture and it's what we like to do.

Josh: Sometimes Dad would pull us out of school to go treasure hunting. When you're a kid, you're like "I don't have to go to school today?" It was as if he was insisting. I was like "Great! No school and we get to go treasure hunting?" You can't beat that. Not that I'm advocating for not going to school, by the way [laughs].

What was the biggest find that really made you think to yourselves, "This is why we do this"?

Jesse: The Lost Dutchman, the lost gold mine, is right out our backyard. That's what Dad came to Arizona to search for. At the end of 25 to 30 years of his searching, we put together the history and found what we believe is the Lost Dutchman Mine out in the wilderness. We wrote books on it. We documented the history and documented the mines. For us, that was the biggest find.

Josh: The Dutchman was the biggest find of our lives. That's important to us. Just putting the history together alone is very important because history does become lost.

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Isles' Ho-Sang impressing upon return

New York's young forward is doing all the right things, and it's catching praise from his new head coach.

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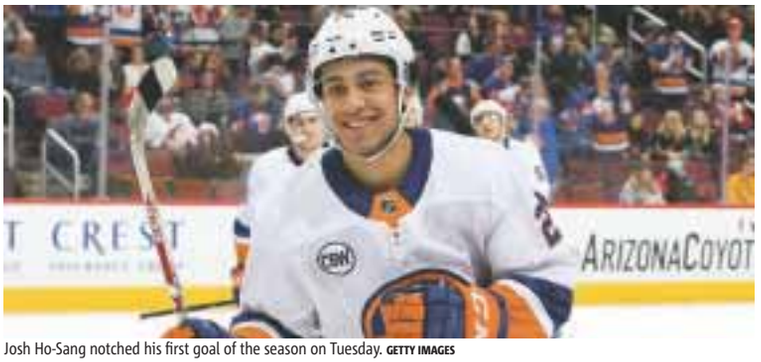

Josh Ho-Sang notched his first goal of the season on Tuesday. GETTY IMAGES

The restrictor plates look as though they are finally coming off for New York Islanders youngster Josh Ho-Sang.

After four years of disappointments, eye-raising comments, and conduct that erred on the side of immaturity, the 22-year-old left winger is beginning to show that he belongs in the NHL on a full-time basis.

The Islanders are waking up on their west-coast road trip, which has now featured wins over a very good Colorado Avalanche side and, most recently, the struggling Arizona Coyotes which had "trap game" written all over it.

Ho-Sang recorded his first goal of the season — and his first since Nov. 22, 2017 — in the win over Arizona on Tuesday, a first-period one-timer from a near-impossible angle to tie the game at one and send the Islanders on their way.

"I haven't played in the NHL in almost a year," Ho-Sang said. "So it feels really good to score again, just get that good feeling."

It was his first point in three games, but the Islanders are undefeated since slotting Ho-Sang into the starting lineup on Saturday against the Detroit Red Wings.

With a comparable game to fellow youngster Mathew Barzal, Ho-Sang is dynamic on the puck with the excellent kind of vision needed to open up scoring opportunities. It was put on full display in the AHL this season as he led the Bridgeport Sound Tigers with 20 assists before his call-up to the NHL.

Those intangibles were never really in doubt, though. Which was why countless Islanders fans campaigned for the organization to keep him up in the pros permanently for years now.

The problem was Ho-Sang's maturity, which has caused some problems in the past.

New York's old regime of Garth Snow and Jack Capuano took the risk of taking Ho-Sang native with the 28th overall pick of the 2014 draft as questions about his attitude saw his stock plummet from a projected top-10 pick.

They took a no-nonsense approach, putting him on a short leash and quickly displaying it on his first day of camp in 2015, cutting him when he reported late.

Over the past two seasons under Capuano and Doug Weight, Ho-Sang appeared in a combined 43 games, tallying 22 points in the process while both campaigns ended early with demotions to the AHL.

It didn't sit well with him, especially after being sent down and singled out by Weight last season as the Islanders' defense sat at the very bottom of the league.

"I got sent down for defense and what are they in goals-against in the NHL?" Ho-Sang asked the Athletic's Arthur Staple. "I only played [22] games up there this year. I don't think it's my fault. They really painted it like it was my fault at the beginning of the year and I didn't like that."

He continued, "If you're going to send me down because of defense, it'd be nice to see other people be held accountable."

Luckily for Ho-Sang, Weight and the former GM Snow were showed the door over the summer as the Islanders brought in Hall-of-Fame executive Lou Lamoriello and head coach Barry Trotz, fresh off a Stanley Cup title with the Washington Capitals.

Once again, though, Ho-Sang was on the outside looking in as he was optioned to Bridgeport to start the season.

"I felt like they had their minds made up on what was going to happen and what the team was going to look like," Ho-Sang said toward the end of October. "It's OK. They had the whole summer to plan that. I don't know if you watched any of the games, but I didn't play a lot. It's OK. It is what it is."

Instead of being chastised by the organization, Ho-Sang was promoted to Bridgeport's top line where he went on a tear, eventually leading to his call-up to the NHL.

He's making the most of it as he's helping the Islanders work their way out of an offensive slump. In the 14 games prior to Ho-Sang's arrival, the Islanders were averaging 1.75 goals per game. Since then, they have improved their anemic power play while Ho-Sang's offensive presence has played a part in the team recording 11 goals in their last three games.

And his efforts are being recognized.

"He's really playing the right way," Trotz said. "You can see he's got real good hockey sense. He's got the speed and the skill. If he keeps playing the way he is, it's going to be real hard to send him anywhere."

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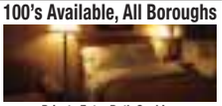

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D'Angelo Russell (left) and Spencer Dinwiddie (right) have helped fuel the Nets to six straight wins. GETTY IMAGES

Watch out for... the Brooklyn Nets?

Is this right? Are we really getting on the Nets bandwagon?

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I will be the first person to admit that I was wrong about the Brooklyn Nets, whom I severely misjudged just a little over two weeks ago.

With developing star Caris LeVert down and out with a horrific-looking foot injury, the Nets nosedived. Following the 24-year-old's injury, the Nets won just two of their next 11 games as they allowed a hair under 113 points per game.

The mega-slump prompted me to pose this simple question: Should the Nets tank without Caris LeVert?

It wasn't a bad idea. After all, the Nets went from a 38-win pace with LeVert in the lineup to just 16 on Dec. 5. Tanking could result in a premier talent like Zion Williamson and an organization with plenty of money to spend next summer coming back extremely strong for the 2019-20 campaign.

Well, the Nets showed me that notion was a silly, silly idea.

Suddenly, Brooklyn won six straight entering Wednesday night against the Bulls. It was the longest win streak since they reeled off the same amount of consecutive victories from Mar. 25 to Apr. 3 of 2015.

These wins haven't necessarily been over slouches, either. Their streak began with a 106-105 overtime victory over the NBA-best Toronto Raptors before taking down the crosstown-rival Knicks in Madison Square Garden the very next night. Kenny Atkinson's men responded with a three-point win over another Eastern Conference favorite, the Philadelphia 76ers, before taking care of the inconsistent Washington Wizards and lowly Atlanta Hawks.

But Tuesday night in Brooklyn showed me enough to suggest that it's playoffs or bust in a weak Eastern Conference for these Nets.

Against his former team, the Los Angeles Lakers, D'Angelo Russell stared down LeBron James and led the Nets with 22 points, including a dagger of a three-pointer with 22 seconds remaining in the 115-110 victory.

Your grandmother's favorite man off the bench, Spencer Dinwiddie, poured in 18 of his own as he continued to prove that he is more deserving of his new three-year, $34 million contract extension. He's averaging 17.2 points and five assists per game for a guy who has started just three games.

Don't even get me started on Jarrett Allen, who set the tone in the opening minutes with a monstrous block of an attempted dunk from James.

Do you know how rare that is? LeBron has attempted 1,850 dunks in his career. After his encounter with the 20-year-old Afroed menace, he has not been blocked just nine times.

In an age of hot takes, my sudden zealousness regarding the Nets might be filed in the overreaction drawer. The fact of the matter, though, is that this is a fun team to watch. A team that is just 1.5 games back of the final Eastern Conference playoff spot.

Taking a more conservative route, I will say this: There is little doubt in my mind that the Nets should be in the postseason conversation by the end of the season, especially with the last two weeks that they've had. Will they make the second round? Probably not. But the Nets have something pretty promising to build on in the coming years.

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166. Approximate amount of
judgment $343,477.11 plus
interest and costs. Premises will
be sold subject to provisions of
filed Judgment Index# 20200/08.
Sandra C. Katz, Esq., Referee
Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC
Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff
175 Mile Crossing Boulevard,
Rochester, New York 14624
(877) 430-4792
Dated: October 30, 2018
58648

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
HSBC BANK USA,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
AS TRUSTEE FOR NOMURA
ASSET ACCEPTANCE
CORPORATION, MORTGAGE
PASS-THROUGH
CERTIFICATES, SERIES
2006-AR1, Plaintiff AGAINST
RICKY MUHAMMAD, et al.,
Defendant(s) Pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale duly dated September 07,
2018 I, the undersigned Referee
will sell at public auction at the
Queens County Courthouse in
Courtroom #25, 88-11 Sutphin
Boulevard, Jamaica, New York,
on January 11, 2019 at
10:00AM, premises known as
195 BEACH 20TH STREET,
FAR ROCKAWAY, NY 11691.
All that certain plot piece or
parcel of land, with the buildings
and improvements erected,
situate, lying and being in
the Borough and County of
Queens, City and State of
New York, BLOCK 15808,
LOT 31. Approximate amount
of judgment $729,797.81
plus interest and costs.
Premises will be sold subject
to provisions of filed Judgment
for Index# 33253/09.
WYATT NAOMORI GIBBONS,
ESQ., Referee
Gross Polowy, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100
Williamsville, NY 14221
58850

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
LOANCARE, A DIVISION OF
FNF SERVICING, INC.,
Plaintiff against JOSEPH
LOUBEAU, et al Defendant(s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale entered
on October 4, 2018. I, the
undersigned Referee will sell at
public auction at the Queens
County Supreme Courthouse,
88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Court
Room # 25, Jamaica, N.Y. on
the 11th day of January, 2019 at
10:00 a.m. premises described
as follows: All that certain plot,
piece or parcel of land, situate,
lying and being at Cedar Manor
in Ward Four of the Borough
of Queens, of the City of
New York. Said premises
known as 164-16, 115th
Avenue, Jamaica, N.Y. 11434.
(Block: 12336, Lot: 9).
Approximate amount of lien
$559,759.13 plus interest and
costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed
judgment and terms of sale.
Index No. 702639-13.
Nicole Katsorhis, Esq., Referee.
McCabe, Weisberg &
Conway, P.C.
Attorney(s) for Plaintiff
145 Huguenot Street –
Suite 210 New Rochelle,
New York 10801
(914) 636-8900

NOTICE OF SALE
Supreme Court
County Of Queens
Bank of America, N.A.
successor by merger to BAC
Home Loans Servicing, LP,
fka Countrywide Home Loans
Servicing, LP, Plaintiff AGAINST
Mickey Jerry, Joycelyn Alleyne
a/k/a Jocelyn Alleyne, Theresa
Y. Moye-Jerry, et al, Defendant
Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly
dated 10/2/18 and entered on
10/23/18, I, the undersigned
Referee, will sell at public auction
at the Queens County Courthouse,
88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Courtroom
25, Jamaica, NY on January
11, 2019 at 10:00 AM premises
known as 644 Beach 65th Street,
Far Rockaway, NY 11692.
All that certain plot piece or
parcel of land, with the buildings
and improvements erected,
situate, lying and being in the
County of Queens, City and
State of New York,
BLOCK: 16024, LOT: 25.
Approximate amount of judgment
is $539,016.88 plus interests and
costs. Premises will be sold subject
to provisions of filed Judgment
Index # 011275/2010.
Joseph Misk, Referee
FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS
WEISMAN & GORDON LLP
53 Gibson Street
Bay Shore, NY 11706

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
QUEENS COUNTY
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC,
Plaintiff against
VISHWAMINTRA PERSAUD,
et al Defendants Attorney for
Plaintiff(s) Fein, Such & Crane,
LLP, 28 East Main Street Suite
1800, Rochester, NY 14614
Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale entered
March 7, 2018, I will sell at
public auction to the highest
bidder at Queens County
Supreme Court, 88-11 Sutphin
Blvd., Jamaica, New York
11435, in Courtroom #25 on
January 18, 2019 at 10:00 AM.
Premises known as 120-12 Van
Wyck Expressway, South Ozone
Park, NY 11420. Block 11702
Lot 27. All that certain plot,
piece or parcel of land, with the
buildings and improvements
thereon erected, situate, lying
and being in the Borough and
County of Queens, City and
State of New York. Approximate
Amount of Judgment is
$625,097.74 plus interest and
costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed
Judgment Index No 7572-2010.
David R Ferguson, Esq.,
Referee QSLSC

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS,
FEDERAL NATIONAL
MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION
("FANNIE MAE") A CORPORATION
ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER
THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs.
DONALD LI-A-PING;
PATRICIA LI-A-PING, ET AL.,
Defendant(s). Pursuant to a
Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale duly filed on July 20, 2018,
I, the undersigned Referee will sell
at public auction at the Queens
County Supreme Court, Courtroom
25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard,
Jamaica, NY on January 04, 2019
at 10:00 a.m., premises known
as 119-27 145th Street, Jamaica,
NY. All that certain plot, piece or
parcel of l and, with the buildings
and improvements thereon erected,
situate, lying and being in the
Borough of Queens, County of
Queens, City and State of New York,
Block 12025 and Lot 99.
Approximate amount of judgment
is $325,888.69 plus interest and
costs. Premises will be sold subject
to provisions of filed Judgment
Index # 705854/2016.
Gary M. Darche, Esq., Referee
Knuckles, Komosinski &
Manfro, LLP,
565 Taxter Road, Suite 590,
Elmsford, NY 10523,
Attorneys for Plaintiff
Cash will not be accepted.

NOTICE OF SALE
SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
U.S. BANK N.A. AS
LEGAL TITLE TRUSTEE FOR
TRUMAN 2013 SC4 TITLE TRUST,
Plaintiff AGAINST LUIS CORNEJO,
et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to
a Judgment of Foreclosure and
Sale duly dated April 19, 2018 I,
the undersigned Referee will sell
at public auction at the Queens
County Courthouse in Courtroom
25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard,
New York, on January 11, 2019
at 10:00AM, premises known
as 86-34 78TH STREET,
WOODHAVEN, NY 11421.
All that certain plot piece or
parcel of land, with the buildings
and improvements erected,
situate, lying and being in the
Borough and County of Queens,
City and State of New York,
BLOCK 8841, LOT 139.
Approximate amount of
judgment $582,486.00 plus
interest and costs. Premises
will be sold subject to
provisions of filed Judgment for
Index# 709729/2015.
HEIDI J. HENLE, ESQ., Referee
Gross Polowy, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100
Williamsville, NY 14221
58678

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NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS,
FLAT ROCK MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST,
Plaintiff, vs. NAQUON GURLEY A/K/A NAQUON J. GURLEY; ET AL., Defendant(s).
Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on October 01, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Queens County Supreme Court, Courtroom 25, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY on January 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., premises known as 150-31 99th Place, Ozone Park, NY. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Queens, County of Queens, City and State of New York, Block 11561 and Lot 17.
Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 6139/13.
Joseph N. Misk, Esq., Referee
Berkman, Henoch, Peterson, Peddy & Fenchel, P.C.,
100 Garden City Plaza,
Garden City, NY 11530,
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21 Penny
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23 Unpopular animal
25 Presidential initials
26 Divides
28 Sounds
31 Furious
32 Info on a sales tag
34 Took a load off
36 Short letter
37 Slight pin poke
38 Agile
39 Sticky stuff
40 Skier's incline
41 Inexpensive
42 Noisy quarrel
44 Crude
45 Little guy
46 __-frutti
47 Chocolate source
50 Greek letters
51 Laundry soap
54 Single, and dating no one
57 Unhappy
58 Humerus or scapula
59 Sound of a grandfather clock
60 Wapitis
61 Lumberjack tools
62 Mah-jongg pieces
63 Watches

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6 Practical joke
7 Half-quart
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9 Common street name
10 Shorts
11 Chef
12 Actor Rob
13 Curry & others
19 Albert, for one
21 __ as a button
24 Windy day toy
25 Wooden pier
26 Warble
27 "Smoking gun"
28 Pleasant
29 In particular
30 Alaska's Palin
32 Experts
33 Tear
35 Do a secretary's job
37 Drama
38 Close
40 Move over a bit
41 Persians & others
43 Lessens
44 Directs
46 __ song; movie opener
47 Havana's land
48 Strong as __
49 Candy __; stocking stuffer
50 Donahue or Collins
52 Gospel writer
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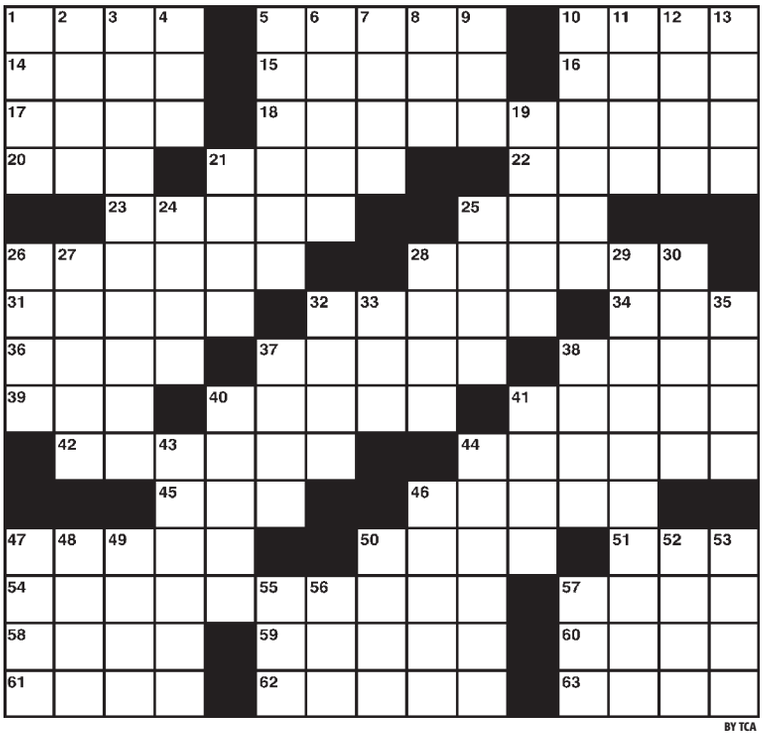
55 __ up; misbehave
56 Tai __; meditative exercise
57 Quilters' gathering



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